(c) whether it is also a fact that a Churchman with a prominent Cross has been prominently put there, though there was no such personage in Dandi March or any other March; and

(d) why a Mulla and a Pandit and Sikh Granthi have not been shown there on the principle of Secularism, assuming it is not a Dandi March?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Though the Group Statue on Willingdon Crescent-Sardar Patel Road Junction in New Delhi is popularly identified with Dandi March, the Statue was installed in memory of the countless Indians who, generation after generation struggled and sacrificed against foreign rule.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) A Mullah, a Pandit and a Sikh Granthi have also been shown in the Group Statue.

Failure of Prime Minister's integrated Urban Poverty eradication programme

2631. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL:

SHRI O. P. KOHLI:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Programme has failed to take off;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Ministry does not have even the basic information regarding the programme, so far;

(c) what progress, if any, has been made so far under the scheme and, how much amount of money has already been spent till date; and

(d) the reasons for the tardy gress in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE THE MINISTRY OF URBAN FAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR VENKATESWARLU): (a) No. The Prime Minister's Integrated Poverty Eradication Prog (PMI UPEP) was launched in ember 1995 to address the economic and physical dimensions of poverty in urban agglomerations population between 50,000 to 1,0 as per 1991 census and Hill Dis Towns of North-East/Hilly States population less than 1,00,000 as 1991 census, with a multi-pronged tegrated strategy. Five million poor targetted to benefit under programme during the five year gramme period (1995-96 to 2000).

Funds to most of the States 1995-96 were released in the quarter of the year. The UPEP is a scheme with multi-dim sional facets and requires exten grassroot spadework in the form activities such as House-to-hou Survey, Spatial mapping, prepa rion of Project Reports, formation CBOs etc. to ensure its effective plementation.

(b) to (d) The scheme is mo tored regularly by this Minis through Regional review Meetin the Inter-Ministerial Converge forum and periodical reports etc As per the reports received from State Government, physical achie ments under the programme are closed at Statement (*See* below The amount released to States s the inception of Programme is under:—

Year	Central Share relea
1995-96	105.80
1996-97	70.60
1997-98	31.8977 (till date)

STATEMENT

Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme

PMI UPEP).

Physical Achievements

Target: 5 million urban poor have been targetted to benefit under the programme during the 5 year programme period (1995-96 to 1999-2000)

Achitvements—The physical achievements as reported by the States are as under:—

(a) House-to-house survey completed in 258 towns.

(b) Town-wise project reports have been prepared for 250 towns.

(c) Under the Self-employment component, 43191 applications have been forwarded to banks out of which 8170 cases have been approved.

(d) Under the Shelter Upgradation Component, 15679 applications have been forwarded to banks/HUDCO, out of which 8106 cases have been approved by Banks/HUDCO.

(e) 11710 Neighbouring Groups have been formed.

(f) 2418 Neighbourhood Development Committees have been formed.

(g) 121 Community Development Societies have been formed.

(h) 1163 Thrift and Credit Societies have been formed.

(i) 251 Community Kendras have been formed.

(j) 9095 beneficiaries have been given training/skill develooment for setting up micro interprises.

Running of Business at the Stair Cases of R. K. Puram Government Quarters

2632. SHRI V. KISHORE CHANDRA S. DEO:
SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:
SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that strangers have been staying and have started business in the stair-cases of Government quarters of Sector 12, R. K. Puram, New Delhi;

(b) whether Government have received complaints from individuals/associations in this regard; and

(c) the action taken by Government and by when these stir-cases are likely to be vacated from the unscrupulous persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Washermen were using 13 staircase areas in the quarters of R.K. Puram, Sector 12 for ironing the clothes. The encroachment has since been removed.

Transfer of Land use under state list

2633. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the subject of land use being under the jurisdiction of the Central Government is a big stumbling block in the way of the Delhi Government to bring about all round development of the Metropolis: